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SUBJ: TRADITIONAL CHINESE MEDICINE ALLEVIATES AIDS PAIN

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((TEXT)) BEIJING, NOVEMBER 9 (XINHUA) -- WHEN 50 AIDS PATIENTS WERE TREATED WITH TRADITIONAL CHINESE MEDICINE IN TESTS CONDUCTED BY THE OREGON COLLEGE OF ORIENTAL MEDICINE, THEIR CHRONIC PAIN WAS GREATLY LESSENED, AND THE COST WAS REDUCED BY 30 PERCENT TO 50 PERCENT.

DR. FREDRIC COLLEY GAVE THE INFORMATION TO THE CHINESE PARTICIPANTS AT THE CURRENT SINO-AMERICAN AIDS SYMPOSIUM. IT IS NOW A FACT THAT TRADITIONAL CHINESE MEDICINE HELPS TO ALLEVIATE THE PAIN OF SOME AIDS PATIENTS AND TO IMPROVE THEIR QUALITY OF LIFE, HE SAID.

PROFESSOR WU PINGBO OF THE INSTITUTE OF TRADITIONAL CHINESE MEDICINE SAID "TRADITIONAL CHINESE MEDICINE HAS ITS SPECIAL THEORETICAL SYSTEM AND METHODS FOR TREATMENT." THE TREATMENT OF OVER 3,000 AIDS PATIENTS IN AFRICA DONE BY WU AND HIS COLLEAGUES HAS PROVED TO BE VERY EFFECTIVE: THE LIVES OF THE PATIENTS WERE PROLONGED AND THEIR SYMPTOMS ALLEVIATED.

ACCORDING TO THE THEORY OF TRADITIONAL CHINESE MEDICINE, AIDS IS CAUSED BY HIV INFECTION, WHICH CAN LEAD TO A DEFICIENCY OF QI (VITAL ENERGY) AND BLOOD. CHINESE DOCTORS ARE NOW TRYING TO USE QIGONG (DEEP BREATHING EXERCISES), ACUPUNCTURE AND TRADITIONAL MEDICINAL HERBS TO CURE THE DISEASE.

"THE MAIN PRINCIPLE OF CURING AIDS BY QIGONG IS, BY WAY OF SELF-PRACTISE AND SELF-ADJUSTMENT, TO STRENGTHEN THE ORGANIC FUNCTIONS AND IMMUNITY SO AS TO SUPPORT THE VITAL ENERGY AND EXPEL THE

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EPIDEMIC VIRUS," SAID CUI JINCAI OF THE TIANJIN MEDICAL COLLEGE.

PROF. JIN SIYUAN OF THE SINO-JAPANESE FRIENDSHIP HOSPITAL HAS FOUND THROUGH EXPERIMENTS 14 KINDS OF CHINESE TRADITIONAL HERBS WHICH ARE EFFECTIVE IN CHECKING THE HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS.

"MOST WESTERN MEDICINE, ALTHOUGH PROVED EFFECTIVE IN TREATING AIDS, HAS SIDE EFFECTS OR IS POISONOUS. CHINESE TRADITIONAL HERBS, EVEN WHEN THEY ARE USED OVER A LONG PERIOD OF TIME, WILL NOT LEAD TO NEGATIVE RESULTS," THE PROFESSOR SAID.

PROFESSOR YANG WEIYI OF THE CHINESE ACADEMY OF TRADITIONAL MEDICINE SAID THAT TRADITIONAL REHABILITATION MEDICINE, WHICH INCLUDES THERAPY, ACUPUNCTURE, BREATHING EXERCISES, PHYSICAL EXERCISES, DIET, PSYCHOLOGICAL THERAPY, CAN INHIBIT HIV REPLICATION, REINFORCE AND REGULATE THE PATIENT'S IMMUNITY AND PREVENT SECONDARY INFECTIONS.

CHINESE DOCTORS HOLD THAT AFTER ACUPUNCTURE TREATMENT, THE IMMUNE SYSTEM OF AIDS PATIENTS IS ADJUSTED AND THEIR ABILITY TO RESIST DISEASE IS RAISED.

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